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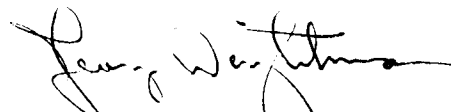
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MEMORANDUM FOR Commanders and Federal Employees

SUBJECT: The Combined Federal Campaign and Hurricane Disaster Relief

1. The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is a single campaign designed to reduce administrative expenditure, to permit voluntary payroll withholding for contributions, and to better support local, national, and international health, welfare, and philanthropic organizations. There are limitless appeals for support throughout the year from many causes/organizations and the CFC gives us the opportunity to support those worthy causes in a single campaign.
2. Accordingly, AR 600-29 prohibits, with limited exceptions, all other fundraising events and activities during the official CFC campaign period. Competing fundraising efforts interfere with the conduct of the CFC campaign and reduce contributions. An example of a prohibited fundraising effort would include unauthorized, on-post fundraising for Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita outside of the CFC. Federal employees may still fundraise off-post in their personal capacities. Additionally, placement of collection boxes in public use areas for the voluntary donation of foods or goods for charitable causes can be authorized, provided they do not substantially interfere with the CFC or Army Emergency Relief fund drives.
3. My designee, the Program Manager for Fundraising, Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation, U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Sam Houston, must approve all on-post fundraising (to include tangible goods and services). If you receive an unauthorized email soliciting funds for some cause, do not forward it, and report it to the Program Manager for Fundraising, at fsh.mwr@samhouston.army.mil.
4. The Gulf Coast area of the United States has been devastated by both of the recent hurricanes. We are all saddened by the news of the loss of lives and destruction of property. For those interested in contributing directly to organizations intent on alleviating the suffering associated with Hurricane Katrina, the CFC website contains a list of disaster relief organizations (<http://www.opm.gov/cfc/disasters/Katrina-relief.asp>). Although CFC has not compiled a list of organizations devoted to Hurricane Rita disaster relief, anyone interested in donating to such an organization can locate one via the World Wide Web.
5. I am confident our Soldiers and civilian employees will once again answer the call of those in need by contributing to charitable organizations through the CFC or by giving directly to disaster relief organizations.

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